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FAMILY DAY CARE HOME SPONSOR MEMO #15**

TO: Family Day Care Home Sponsors

FROM: Julie Stark, Supervisor  
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SUBJECT: **Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Standardized Deduction Rates  
for Meals Provided by Family Day Care Providers**

The IRS allows family day care providers to use a standardized rate to claim deductions for meals and snacks served to children in their care. These rates are currently the same as the CACFP Tier 1 reimbursement rates.

This is beneficial for providers because it relieves the burden of keeping every personal and business receipt and using complicated math formulas to estimate business food expenses.

For more details on the standardized deduction, IRS Revenue Procedure 2003-22 can be accessed on the IRS website at <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/rp-03-22.pdf> (Procedure 2003-22 is the Attachment). If providers have additional questions about the rates, encourage them to contact their tax advisors or the IRS at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) or (800) 829-1040.

If you have any questions about this memo, please contact Rosemary Suardini at (517) 373-4015.

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